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TO : Director of Training
THRU : Chief, Operations School

DATE: 28 April 1959

FROM : Chief, Field Training

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report #16, Field Training, [REDACTED]
Period 20 to 24 April 1959

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1. During the reporting week, the price of beer was raised on the Base from 15¢ and 20¢ for glass and can, respectively, to 20¢ and 25¢. This rise in prices is based on the fact that the sales of beer have increased while the sales of hard liquors have remained static. The sale of beer, as I understand it, has never paid for itself but was carried by the profits from hard liquors. Other factors such as the exorbitant loss by either breakage or disappearance of as many as three gross of small decanters as well as minor losses of beer glasses has resulted in rather heavy bar expenses for replacement of this equipment. At the same time, the payment of bar tenders' wages up to \$90.00 weekly has contributed to the situation. There has been some little discontentment with this raise in prices which, I believe, was instigated by certain staff members rather than students.

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I have discussed this matter with both [REDACTED] and while they advise me the students have commented on the rise in prices, they have not received complaints from specific students. It is planned to have a discussion of the reasons for the rise in prices at a general Staff Mess meeting on 28 April.

2. We have been working very closely with [REDACTED] on personnel matters for several weeks now and expect that, in time, most personnel details will be handled by his office. During the reporting week, we discussed the rotation of personnel and their replacements with [REDACTED]. We had the opportunity to discuss [REDACTED] during this reporting period. [REDACTED] attended both meetings.

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Perhaps the most crucial personnel area at the present moment is that of the CFA staff. The following personnel are about to leave us and will require replacements:

(a) [REDACTED]

(b) [REDACTED]

(c) [REDACTED]

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25X1A9A 5. Several OC instructors have felt that one of the four seminar groups in that course was significantly weaker than the other three. [REDACTED] brought this matter to the attention of [REDACTED] and asked 25X1A9A for a check of information available on this group. Using the test data available for most of the students, Bill compared groups on three variables and came up with an interesting, if tentative, conclusion. The "poor" seminar group is on the average a considerably less dominant group than the others and appears to have much less need for reward than do the other groups. Seminar groups were formed initially on the basis of PETB findings, but the variables Bill was using at the beginning of the course for discrimination do not appear to have resulted in as equal groups as dividing on the basis of Dominance and Rewards alone might. As a result of these findings, [REDACTED] will recommend a different 25X1A9A method of seminar grouping for the next OC.

6. [REDACTED] broke his left wrist while playing volleyball on 20 April and was hospitalized [REDACTED] is expected to 25X1A6A return to duty on 29 April.

7. An administrative problem has arisen in connection with OC student travel to and from the Base during the "breaks." This situation which appears to have grown beyond justifiable proportions resulted from an apparent misunderstanding on the part of students. Some of the students insist that the matter of travel between "breaks" was not detailed enough in the briefing; others claimed it had been implied during the briefing that they would be entitled to round trip mileage whether they drove or traveled as passengers. Still others considered that military Travel Regulations should apply. In order to settle the 25X1A9A matter, we have asked [REDACTED] to visit the Base next week in order to clarify this misunderstanding. At that time, we expect to discuss the subject in greater detail in order to preclude similar problems during the remainder of this and in future courses.



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